

Suzuki, Kimiko Architectural Collection

Kimiko Suzuki Architectural Collection,
1963-1967, 2013



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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

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Unit Date

1963-1967, 2013

Language

Material is in Japanese.

source

Matsukawa-Tsuchida, Junko

source

Suzuki, Michihiko

Extent

1.1 Cubic Feet

Repository

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Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

Use Restrictions

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Biographical Note

Kimiko Suzuki (1929-1992) attended Japan Women's University and was their first graduate in the housing studies program. Due to the economic conditions of Japan following World War II she could not find work in an architecture office. She instead joined a publishing company because she was promised the same salary as a man.

Following her marriage she found work in an architecture office. She performed her traditional roles in a big family and simultaneously kept working in the architecture office often working until late at night. However, nursing care of her husband's parents forced her to resign from the architectural firm. She thus began a practice out of her home working on residential projects, a kindergarten, and a medical clinic. She developed cancer at 50 and after a long struggle with the illness withdrew from architectural practice at 60. She passed away three years later at 63.

Scope and Content

The collection contains 3 sets of drawings and a publication for the Susume Abe residence completed in 1967. Abe was a famous education critic in Japan.

Keywords

Women -- History

Architectural drawings (visual works)

History of Women in Architecture

Architectural drawing -- 20th century

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Architecture (discipline)

Matsukawa-Tsuchida, Junko

Suzuki, Michihiko

Existence and Location of Copies

Some of this collection has been digitized and is available online.

Description of Subordinate Components

Suzuki Family Tree, drawn by Junko Matsukawa-Tsuchida,

Unit Date 2013

box 1

Susumu Abe Residence,

Unit Date 1963-1966

Sketches (13 drawings)

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Set 1 (12 drawings)

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Set 2 (16 drawings)

box 1

Publication

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